

DECLARATION, POWER OF ATTORNEY, AND PETITION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**A SILICON GERMANIUM SURFACE LAYER FOR HIGH-K DIELECTRIC
INTEGRATION**

the specification of which (check one below):

is attached hereto.

was filed on ____ as Application Serial No. ____ or Express Mail No. ____ and was amended on ____ (if applicable).

was filed on ____ as PCT International Application No. ____ , and as amended under PCT Article 19 on ____ (if any).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations §1.56.

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Prior Foreign Application(s)

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I hereby appoint the practitioners associated with the customer number 26,875, as my attorneys or agents, with full power of substitute and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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Wherefore I pray that Letters Patent be granted to me for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the foregoing specification and claims, and I hereby subscribe my name to the foregoing specification and claims, declaration, power of attorney, and this petition.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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